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SUBJECT: FACT FINDING TRIP, COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION,
NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES

SLUG REPLY TO DOT (EYMONERIE)

1. THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION OF THE NATIONAL
ACADEMY OF SCIENCES, COMPOSED OF:

MR. WILFRED OWEN, SENIOR FELLOW, THE BROOKINGS
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DR. WILLIAM L. GARRISON, DIRECTOR, INSTITUTE OF
TRANSPORTATION AND TRAFFIC ENGINEERING, UNIVERSITY OF
CALIFORNIA AT BERKELEY;

MR. JERRY D. WARD, DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF R&D OST/DOT, AND

MR. JOHN R. FOWLER, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES, WILL BE VISITING SEVERAL EUROPEAN COUNTRIES IN CONNECTION WITH A STUDY OF FREIGHT SYSTEMS DURING THE PERIOD OF APRIL 25-MAY 6.

2. THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION IS CURRENTLY CONDUCTING A STUDY OF THE US FREIGHT SYSTEM (ALL MODES) FOCUSING PRIMARILY ON POSSIBILITIES FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN THE 1980-2000 TIMEFRAME. EUROPEAN FACT FINDING WILL CENTER ON DISCUSSION OF LONG TERM PLANNING AND TECHNOLOGICAL POSSIBILITIES FORESEEN FOR FREIGHT SYSTEMS IMPROVEMENTS IN THE NEXT 20-25 YEARS. EUROPEAN EXPERIENCE WILL ADD VALUABLE PERSPECTIVE TO THE CONSIDERATION OF VARIOUS SOCIAL, ECONOMIC AND INSTITUTIONAL FACTORS BEARING ON DEMAND, THE INTRODUCTION OF NEW TECHNOLOGY AND DEVELOPMENT OF NEW SYSTEMS.

3. TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS AND HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE BY COMMITTEE.

4. APPRECIATE ADDRESSEE EMBASSIES ARRANGING MEETINGS WITH APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS OF MINISTRIES OF TRANSPORTATION, TRANSPORTATION RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY AND INSTITUTES, AND CONFIRMING DATES, TIMES, PLACES AND INDIVIDUALS TO DOT:

---- FOR THE HAGUE: PRIOR TO ATTENDING ROTTERDAM
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CONFERENCE, GROUP WOULD APPRECIATE DISCUSSING TECHNOLOGY AND OPERATIONS WITH ROTTERDAM PORT OFFICIALS ON APRIL 25. ARRANGEMENTS FOR ROTTERDAM CONFERENCE HAVE BEEN MADE.

---- FOR BONN: MOT MAY 3; MORT MAY 4 UNTIL 2 PM. IN ADDITION TO ANY MEETINGS RECOMMENDED BY EMBASSY, GROUP HAS INDICATED DESIRE TO MEET WITH DIRECTOR OF RAIL PROGRAMS (VICE THOMA) AT MOT AND DR. FRENZEL AT MORT.

---- FOR PARIS: MOT AND IRT, MAY 5.

---- FOR LONDON: DOE/MOT AND POSSIBLY TRRL, MAY 6. IN ADDITION TO ANY MEETINGS RECOMMENDED BY EMBASSY, GROUP WISHES TO MEET WITH DR. A. J. M. HITCHCOCK AT MOT.
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